

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
OFFICE OF NATIONAL ESTIMATES

25 January 1951

MEMORANDUM FOR: Estimates Staff

SUBJECT: National Estimate U.S. vs. U.S.S.R., with Special Reference to
Time of Initiation of Armed Conflict

1. Suggested outline for analysis of relative strengths:

	<u>U.S.</u>	<u>U.S.S.R.</u>
a	Objectives :	Objectives :
b	Strengths (Capabilities and Vulnerabilities) :	Strengths (Capabilities and Vulnerabilities) :
c	Courses of Action Open :	Courses of Action Open :
d	Opposing Lines of Action :	Opposing Lines of Action :
e	Most Feasible Line of Action :	Most Probable Line of Action :
f	Conclusions and Recommendations	

2. Consider, and make comparison, upon basis of time period extended
to 31 December, 1955.

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3. Division of Labor

	<u>Title</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Agencies</u>
<u>a</u>	Objectives	U.S. U.S.S.R.	NSC State
<u>b</u>	Strengths		
	(1) Political	U.S. U.S.S.R.	State State
	(2) Sociological	U.S. U.S.S.R.	Census State, Labor
	(3) Psychological	U.S.	CIA, State State, Defense
	(4) Geographic	U.S. U.S.S.R.	CIA Defense
	(5) Scientific	U.S. U.S.S.R.	CIA (OSI) CIA (OSI)
	(6) Economic	U.S. U.S.S.R.	NSRB, CIA, Commerce State, CIA
	(7) Transportation	U.S. U.S.S.R.	Commerce Defense
	(8) Military	U.S. U.S.S.R.	Defense Defense
<u>c</u>	Courses of Action Open	U.S. U.S.S.R.	NSC, State, Defense State, Defense
<u>d</u>	Opposing Lines of Action	U.S. U.S.S.R.	CIA (State and) CIA (Defense)
<u>e</u>	Most Probable Lines of Action	U.S. U.S.S.R.	NSC State, Defense
<u>f</u>	Conclusions and Recommendations		CIA (IAC)

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